

IN HONOR OF THE TREMENDOUS
PUBLIC SERVICE OF FRED
WINKLER

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 17, 2007

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the tremendous public service of Fred Winkler of Hillsdale, New Jersey. At 80 years old, he is the longest-serving volunteer in the Hillsdale Fire Department and he shows no signs of slowing down.

Fred Winkler joined the fire department about 60 years ago when he returned from his service in the Navy Air Corps during World War II. He helped to start their ambulance corps and served as the fire department's chief in 1956 and president in 1958. His extraordinary dedication to the Hillsdale Fire Department earned him the Firefighter of the Year award in 1982.

In addition to the time he devotes to the fire department, Fred Winkler is also committed to his role in other parts of his community. He helped to start a fishing program for young people through his involvement with Friends of the Pascack Brook. He is active with the veterans' community through his local American Legion. And, Fred Winkler spent 10 years helping to renovate the landmark Hillsdale Railroad Station.

About 10 years ago, the borough of Hillsdale honored Fred Winkler for his true sense of service to his community by naming a street after him. This coming Sunday, the Hillsdale Fire Department will honor him with a firehouse open house. It is a great privilege to join his proud neighbors in honoring the shining example of public service that is the life of Fred Winkler and I commend him for his dedication to his community.

RECOGNITION OF PATHWAYS TO
POSITIVE AGING

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. STARK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Pathways to Positive Aging, a collaborative project between the city of Fremont, California's Human Services Department and the Tri-City Elder Coalition. This exciting Robert Wood Johnson funded project is helping seniors and communities to make choices for a healthier future. This community plan enables all older adults living in the Tri-City area of Fremont, Newark and Union City, California to understand, choose and access culturally enriched affordable services and opportunities that enhance their quality of life.

The Tri-City Elder Coalition is comprised of over 60 organizations and individuals including health care and long-term care providers, community and government agencies, faith-based/cultural organizations, senior service organizations, universities, elected officials and older adults.

The city of Fremont and the Tri-City Elder Coalition have identified five initiatives that support the health, well-being and independ-

ence of older adults. These include increased access to older adult services, increasing and sustaining older adult mobility, increasing the capacity of community groups to serve all older adults, and fostering cross cultural and intergenerational exchange that create meaningful opportunities for older adults.

Pathways to Positive Aging will focus on older adults who are at increased risk of disability due to poverty, race, ethnicity, chronic illness or advanced age as well as older adults with physical or cognitive impairments who require long-term care and supportive services.

It takes a community to support successful aging. Pathways to Positive Aging is a community partnership focused on improving long-term care and supportive service systems to meet the current and future needs of older adults.

I applaud the city of Fremont Human Services Department and the Tri-City Elder Coalition for meeting the challenge to build a community that is safe and welcoming; one that respects diversity and values senior participation; a place where information is easily available for all seniors; where seniors can be actively involved and where cultures and generations come together to support one another.

Pathways to Positive Aging will bring awareness, acceptance and a call to action that will embrace the aging process for all Tri-City residents. I join the community in thanking the city of Fremont Human Services Department and the Tri-City Elder Coalition for their commitment and dedication to make a positive difference toward successful aging.

HONORING THE 17TH ANNUAL DC
BLACK PRIDE CELEBRATION

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 17, 2007

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, Memorial Day Weekend, May 23–27, is the 17th Annual Black Pride celebration in Washington, DC.

DC Black Pride is an exciting 5-day event complete with dynamic workshops, receptions, cultural arts activities, small and large nightclub events that culminates in the world's oldest, most inclusive Black Pride Festival in the Washington Convention Center. Many consider DC's festival one of the world's pre-eminent Black Pride celebrations. The festival consistently draws more than 30,000 people to the Nation's Capital. Attendees come from every major urban area in the United States as well as Canada, the Caribbean, South Africa, Great Britain, France, Germany, and the Netherlands. The Black Pride Festival features activities for the entire family, including performances by national recording artists, 200 exhibition booths, book signings from noted writers, participation from national and local health organizations, and arts and crafts.

Black Lesbian and Gay Pride Day, Inc. (BLGPD), the celebration's organizing body, chose the theme "Black All Over: Liberty-Unity-Strength" to encourage the Black lesbian, gay, bisexual, and trans gender (LGBT) community to work together towards combating homophobia, promoting health and wellness, strengthening their community, and encouraging Black LGBT people everywhere to live their lives with pride.

Black Lesbian and Gay Pride Day, Inc., a non-profit organization with a volunteer Board of Directors, coordinates this annual event. BLGPD's 2007 Board consists of James W. Hawkins, President; Ray Daniels, Vice President; Janisha Gabriel, Secretary; Lisa Washington, Treasurer; and the following Members at Large: Donovan Anderson, Khalid Parker, Courtney Snowden, Sterling A. Washington, Shanika Whitehurst, DaJuan Xavier; and these Members Emeritus: Earl Fowlkes, Eric E. Richardson, Clarence J. Fluker, and Cheryl Dunn, who lead BLGPD in its mission to build knowledge of and to create greater pride in the Black LGBT community's diversity, while raising funds to ameliorate and prevent health problems in this community, especially HIV/AIDS.

I ask the House to join me in welcoming all attending the 17th annual DC Black Pride celebration in Washington, DC, and I take this opportunity to remind the celebrants that United States citizens who reside in Washington, DC, are taxed without full voting representation in Congress.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE
OF PAUL JOSEPH BORDALLO

HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 17, 2007

Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Paul Joseph Bordallo, a leader whose service to Guam as a senator, a businessman, and as a community activist, leaves an indelible mark in the history of our island and will be remembered for many years to come. Paul passed away on May 12, 2007, leaving his wife, the former Arlene Perez Bias; his children, Penelope, Oliver, Renata, Jonathan, Paul, Alethea, and Rosalia; his grandchildren, and a large extended family, which includes myself. Paul was my brother-in-law, the younger brother of my late husband, Ricardo J. Bordallo, the sons of Balthazar J. Bordallo.

But Paul did not stand in the shadow of his father or brother. He cast a very long shadow of his own, in both the business and political arenas on Guam. Paul Bordallo was a statesman and a visionary in his own right and our island has lost a truly great man.

The impact of his ideals and accomplishments has been profound and lasting. Paul was proud of his Chamorro heritage and was a staunch proponent of indigenous civil, political, cultural, and land rights, but he did not clamor for attention to these issues. Where other activists sought action through protests and demonstrations, Paul instead worked diligently to address and secure these rights through the political process. He was a soft-spoken intellectual who relied on reason and logic to make his point.

As a member of the 11th and 12th Guam Legislatures, Paul authored the Chamorro Land Trust Act, which reserves public land for the use and benefit of Guam's indigenous people; the Guam Historic Preservation Act and the law making English and Chamorro the official languages of Guam. He co-authored the Guam Territorial Seashore Protection Act and the Ocean Shore and Territory Beach Access Act, mandating public access to all